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"A good name is more desirable than great riches; To be esteemed is better than silver or gold." -- Proverbs 22:1


Reduce Your Air Conditioning Bill This Summer


One of your biggest household energy expenses is air conditioning throughout the spring, summer and fall months. In this article, Haldeman Mechanical has some suggestions for saving you money this air conditioning season.


 **Have your air conditioning serviced before the season begins.** Call Haldeman Mechanical to service your system before you need it. Routine maintenance like changing the air filters and checking the refrigerant helps your system to run more efficiently.

 **Install a more efficient system.** If your air conditioning system is more than 10 years old, consider replacing it with a more efficient unit. Within a few years, you will recoup the cost in energy savings. PPL and Met-Ed customers still can qualify for some rebates on energy efficient choices. And a modified version of the Federal Tax Credit program has been extended through this year. Call us for details.

 **Install a programmable thermostat.** Installing a programmable thermostat allows you to set the temperature higher at times when you are away from home, reducing your energy costs. Rebates are still available from PPL if you install a programmable thermostat before May 31st.

 **Landscape for energy efficiency.** You can reduce your air conditioning costs by up to 25% by planting shade trees which shield your home from the sun during peak hours.

 **Turn off lights and electronic equipment when not in use.** Lights and electronics such as computers and printers generate heat. Turn them off when you are not using them and, if possible, limit use of computers to evening when the weather is cooler.

 **Install ceiling fans or use portable fans.** A fan can make the room temperature feel several degrees cooler so you can set your thermostat a few degrees higher.



We're Going Green!

Haldeman Mechanical is taking another step towards going green! Over the next few months, Advanced Solar Industries (www.advancedsolarindustries.com) of New Holland will be installing 90 solar modules on the roof of our shop in Manheim. We anticipate those modules will produce enough electricity to run our shop and still have some left over to give back to the community grid. You can visit our website (www.haldemanmechanical.com) to view pictures as the project progresses and we will also have more information in the fall edition of The Haldeman Gazette.

There are many ways to go green in your own home. Contact us today to see what options are available to reduce your energy costs.

What Our Customers Are Saying About Us

“Thank you ever so much for your prompt and expert service when we lost our air conditioning. I can’t tell you how much I appreciate you sending someone out immediately, despite the fact you were swamped with calls. Again, sincerest thanks!”

“We are very satisfied with the gas heater and the work. The serviceman answered my questions and was very courteous. Thank you for your service and we will recommend your company.”

“I wanted to send a “Thank You” along with my payment for your service. You did an excellent repair job.”

“Thank you for your prompt service and reasonable rates. We will surely remember this as we continue to need your services.”

“I would like to thank your company and the wonderful plumber who came to my home this morning. Early this morning, a pipe connection from the water heater separated, flooding my basement with water. I was home with my infant son and possessed no plumbing knowledge whatsoever. I called your number in tears and was assured that a plumber would be there shortly. No more than 15 minutes later, someone was at my house and the problem was fixed. What a sigh of relief I had when the sound of rushing water finally stopped! I wanted to thank you not only for your prompt service, but for the way in which you handled my very panicked phone call. Through every step of this problem, your company was professional and helpful. It brings me great relief to know if troubles like this arise again, I can call on your company and be treated with respect and great care. Thank you so very much.”

It’s That Time of Year Again



SPRING TIPS

Heating and Cooling Tips

- ♦ Clean and service your system, including air filters
- ♦ Remove the covering from your outdoor air conditioning unit
- ♦ Turn on your air conditioning on a warm spring day to ensure it is working properly

Plumbing/Water Conditioning Tips

- ♦ Keep hoses off hydrants until all threat of frost is gone (Leaving a hose on is one way to make them non-frost-free!)
- ♦ Change water filter cartridges and ultraviolet bulbs
- ♦ Re-bed acid neutralizers and carbon filters
- ♦ Check salt level on water softener

ALSO: Check your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors to make sure they work properly and replace the batteries.

We stock, deliver and install all of the items mentioned above. Since 1939, Haldeman Mechanical is the name you have come to trust. Call us today!



SUMMER TIPS

Water Conditioning System Tips

- ♦ Change water filter cartridges and ultraviolet bulbs
- ♦ Re-bed acid neutralizers and carbon filters
- ♦ Check salt level on water softener

Air Conditioning Tips

- ♦ Clean or replace air filters in furnace and A/C systems
- ♦ Adjust indoor A/C vents for summer (open top register, close bottom)
- ♦ Clear a two foot space around your outdoor A/C unit of plants, leaves and clutter
- ♦ Have your outdoor A/C unit cleaned and fluids checked professionally each year to optimize efficiency

Don’t wait until after the temperature rises to service your air conditioning system. Beat the heat and call Haldeman Mechanical today to maintain your system.

Water Saving Tips To Save You Money!

Water is one of the world's most valuable resources. Saving water and money is easy when you follow some of these simple steps.

💧 **Install a dual flush or low flush toilet.** Haldeman Mechanical can install a new toilet for you that uses substantially less water than a traditional toilet, saving you money.

💧 **Install a water saving faucet and/or shower head.** This is an easy and inexpensive way to reduce your water consumption. Haldeman Mechanical stocks quality Moen low-flow shower heads and water saving aerators for faucets.

💧 **Install a tankless water heater.** Tankless water heaters are 90% more efficient than regular water heaters because they only heat water as you need it.

💧 **Buy more efficient appliances.** When buying new appliances, consider those that offer cycle and load size adjustments. They're more water and energy efficient.



💧 **Run your washing machine and dishwasher only when full.** Running only full loads in your appliances can save you as much as 1,000 gallons per month!

💧 **Adjust your lawn mower to a higher setting.** A taller lawn shades roots and holds soil moisture better than if it is closely clipped.

💧 **Water plants and lawns carefully.** Make sure your sprinklers are not also watering sidewalks, porches and driveways. Also, water only in the morning or in the evening when it's cooler to avoid evaporation.

💧 **Keep an eye out for leaks.** Monitor your water meter and your water bill. A spike in either is an indication that you might have a leak. Also, fix dripping faucets immediately.

💧 **Don't let the water run when washing dishes, brushing teeth, shaving and washing hands.** Turn off the water when performing these simple daily tasks and be amazed at how much water you will save.

Fun Facts

Taken from www.bitofun.com.

Einstein couldn't speak fluently when he was nine. His parents thought he might be retarded.

Cats can not taste sweet things. They can however make over 100 different vocal sounds. Dogs can make about ten.

Hostess Twinkies were invented in 1931 by James Dewar, manager of Continental Bakeries' Chicago factory. He envisioned the product as a way of using the company's thousands of shortcake pans which were otherwise employed only during the strawberry season. Originally called Little Shortcake Fingers, they were renamed Twinkie Fingers, and finally "Twinkies."

Walt Disney has won the most Academy Awards of anyone in history. Between 1931 and 1969 he collected thirty-five Oscars.

President George Washington created the Order of the Purple Heart in 1782. It's a decoration to recognize merit in enlisted men and non-commissioned officers.

Cranberries are one of just three major fruits native to North America. Blueberries and Concord grapes are the other two.

Lake Pontchartrain Causeway in New Orleans, Louisiana, is the world's largest bridge. It is almost 24 miles.

Nabisco's "Oreo's" are the world's best-selling brand of cookie at a rate of 6 billion sold each year. The first Oreo was sold in 1912.

The dollar was established as the official currency of the U.S. in 1785.

Children laugh about 400 times a day, while adults laugh on average only 15 times a day.

Even though they broke up 40 years ago, the Beatles continue to sell more records each year than the Rolling Stones.

Ten percent of the salt mined in the world each year is used to de-ice the roads in America.

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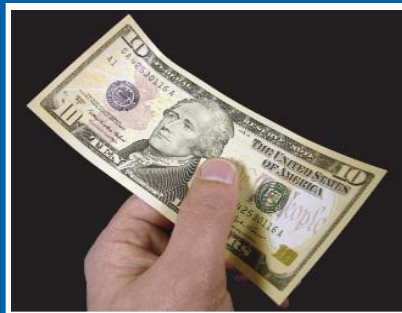
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